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An alliance between France and Russia is out of the question. It would at once provoke a European war. The old antagonism of France and Austria, the humbling of the house of Hapsburg contemplated by Henry IV and by nearly all the kings of France make it unnecessary for the author to enter into details to show the impossibility of an alliance between these two States. All the attempts made to draw them closer to each other, whether on the

A man named Quinn, said to have been actively employed in promoting the Fenian cause in Scotland, has been arrested in Sligo on a warrant from the Lord Lieutenant.

A cooper, named Horgan, has been arrested in Cork as a suspected Fenian.

The grand jury of the city of Cork have expressed their warm approval of the conduct of the Government in putting down the Fenian conspiracy.

EIGHT-HOUR ESTABLISHMENT AT CHICAGO.—The Chicago (Ill.) *Advocate* asserts that a tobacco firm in that city, employing from twenty-five to thirty hands, have adopted the eight-hour system. Their experience is that as much work is turned out in eight hours as used to be in ten, and as a fruit of their experience, they pay their workmen the same wages under the new as they paid under the old system.

Kentucky Department Commander. Brevet Major-General Jeff. C. Davis has been assigned to the command of the Department of Kentucky, to relieve General John M. Palmer, who has tendered his resignation.

—The cabinet of the Tuileries having intimated to Prince Couza that his presence in Paris during the sittings of the Paris Conference would be inopportune, he is prolonging his stay at Vienna.

applied to commercial, financial, and industrial operations; and recently at Compiègne several members of the University put to him questions so complicated that to solve a single one would take an hour's work, and yet he gave the correct answer almost immediately. Fifteen medals have been awarded to him by learned societies.